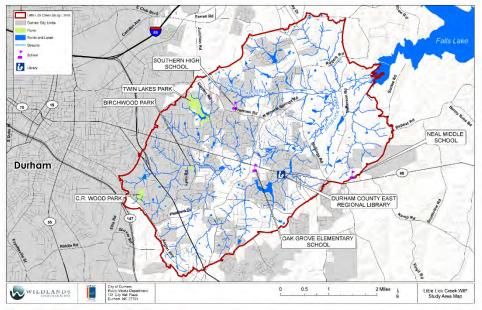


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# Little Lick Creek Watershed Improvement Plan



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## Tonight's Agenda

- Introductions of City Staff and Project Team
- Brief Presentation
- Activity Stations + Kids Corner:
  - Welcome Station and Sign-In
  - Watershed Overview and Resident Survey
  - Stream Restoration Benefits
  - Stormwater Control Measure Benefits
  - Enviroscape
  - Stream Cleanup Wall
- Refreshments



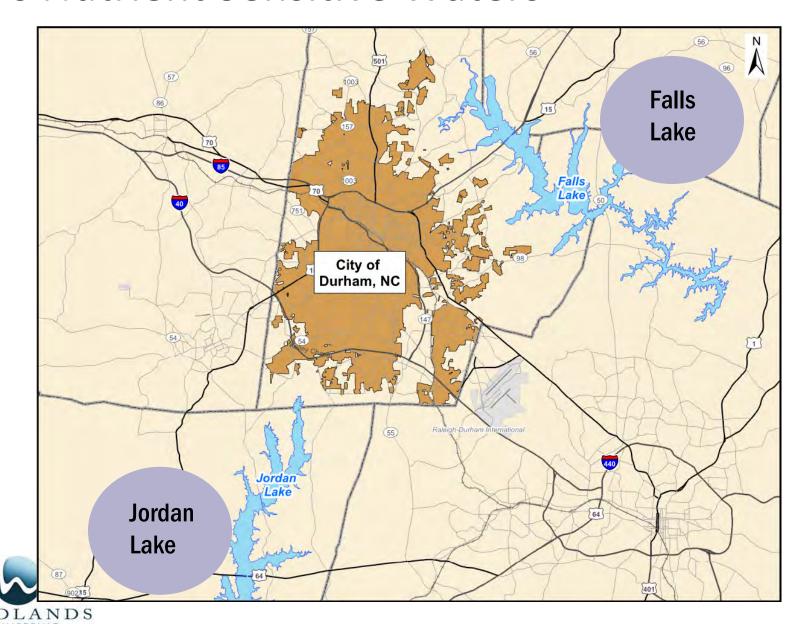
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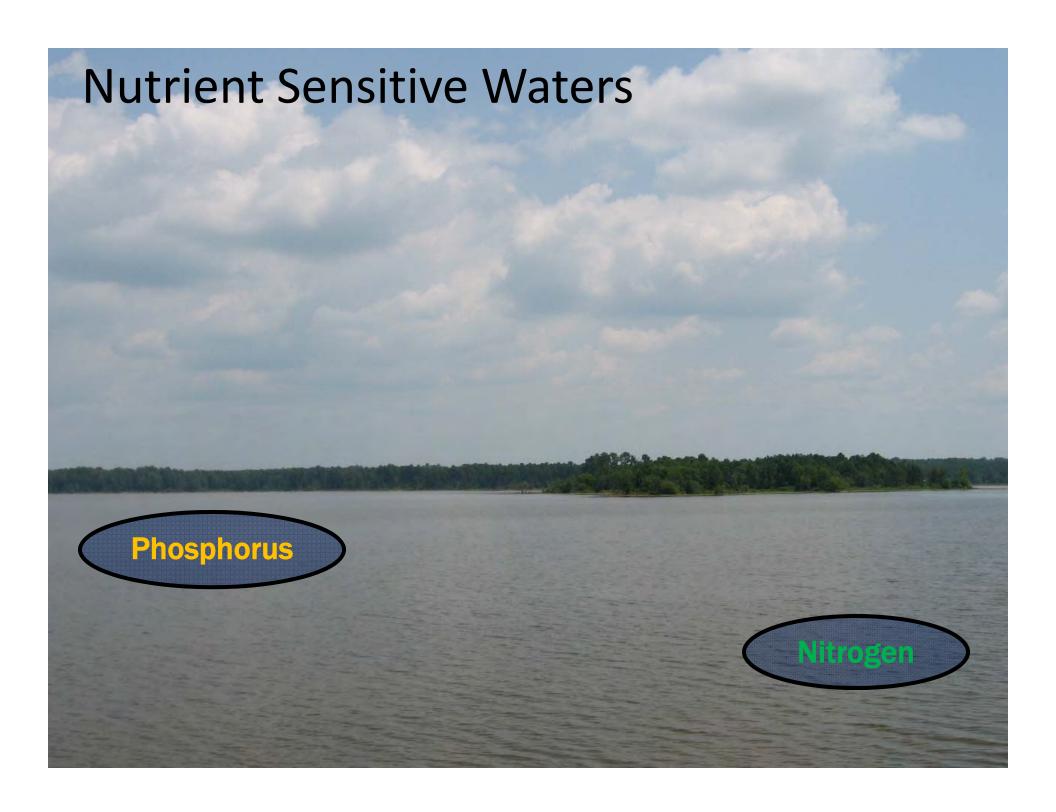




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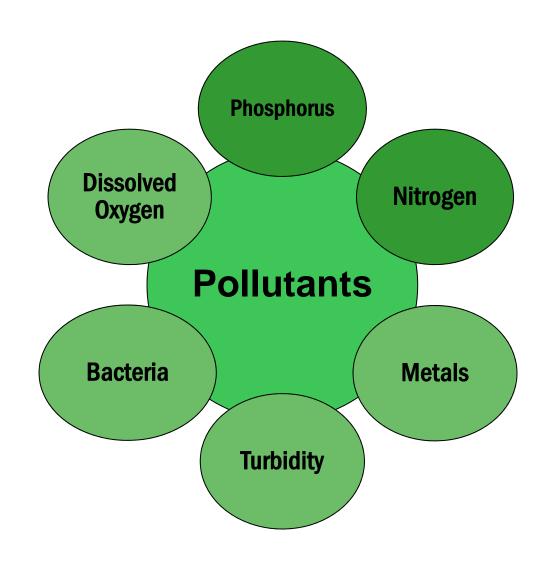
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## Local Streams that have "Impaired" Water Quality

- Ellerbe Creek
- Third Fork Creek
- Northeast Creek
- Lick Creek
- Little Lick Creek
- Eno River

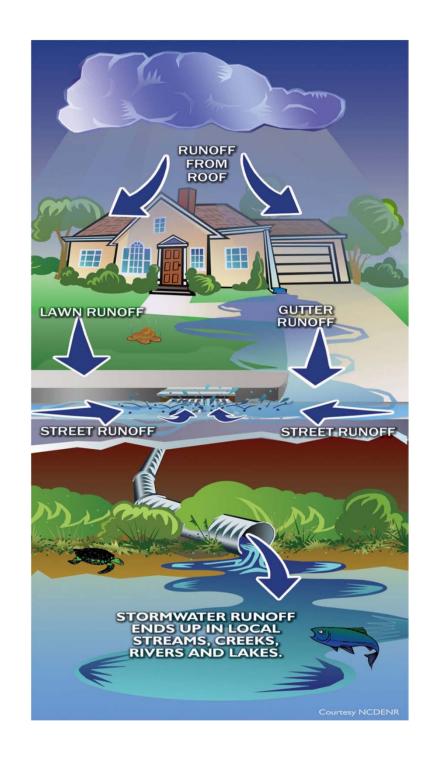






## Goals and Objectives

- Focus on water quality and watershed health
- Put into action the most effective water quality improvement projects throughout the City
- Meet federal and state water quality regulations







## Citywide Initiation of WIP's

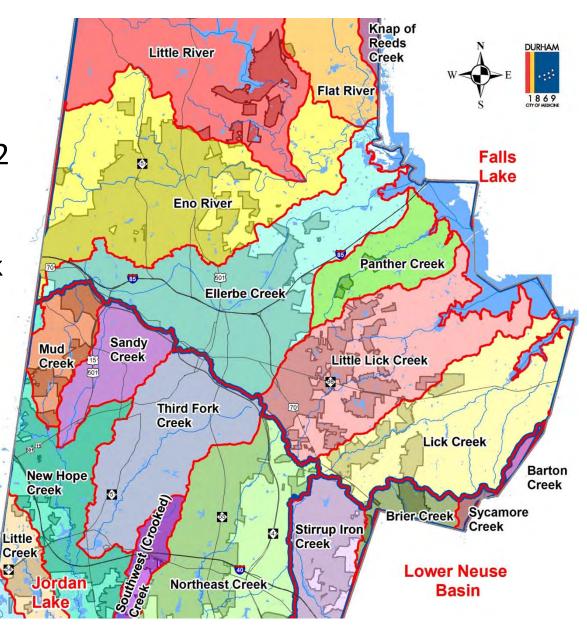
Ellerbe Creek WIP - 2010

Third Fork Creek WIP - 2012

Northeast & Crooked CreekWIP- 2013

Little Lick Creek WIP - 2015





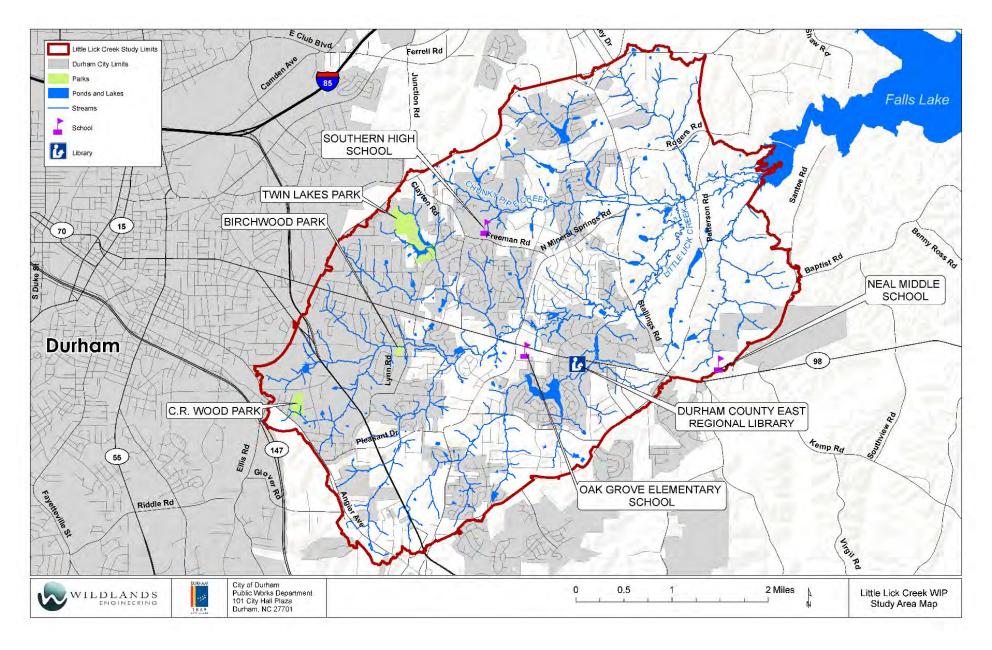


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### Little Lick Creek Watershed



## Field Activities





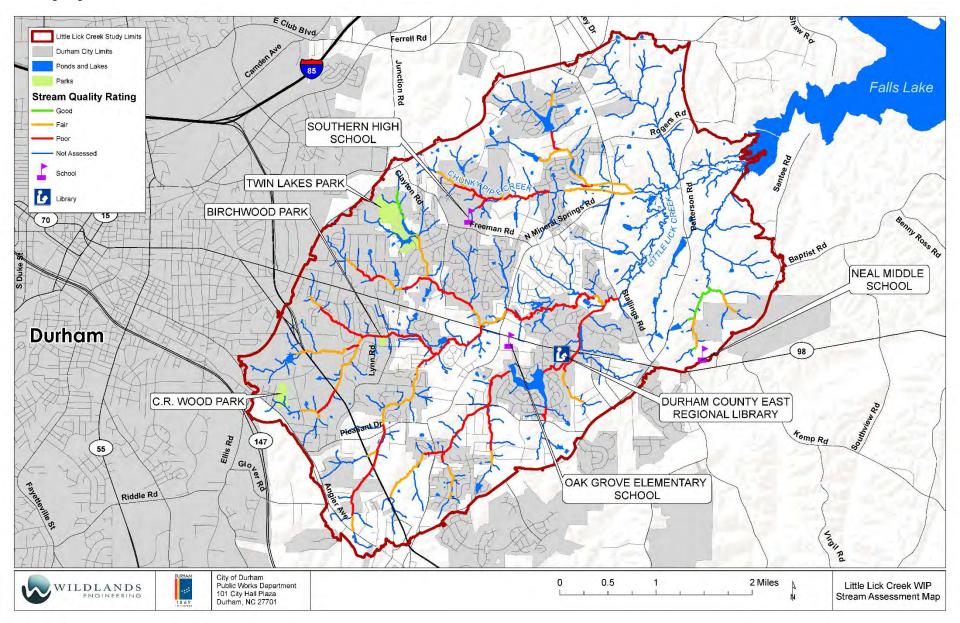








## Opportunities to Stabilize and Restore Streams



#### Stream Assessment Results

Of the 104 stream reaches that were assessed:

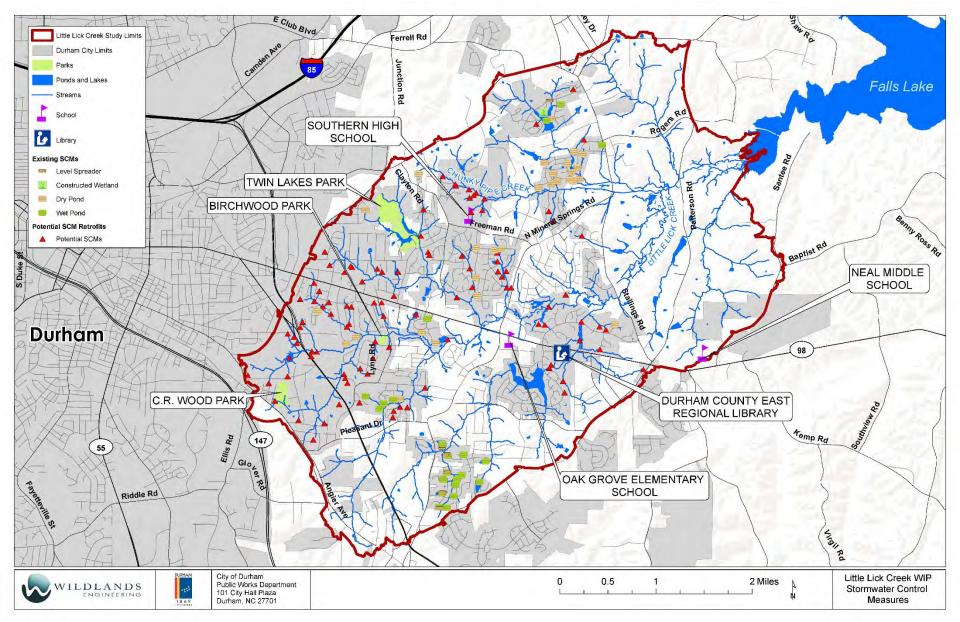




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## Opportunities for Stormwater Retrofits



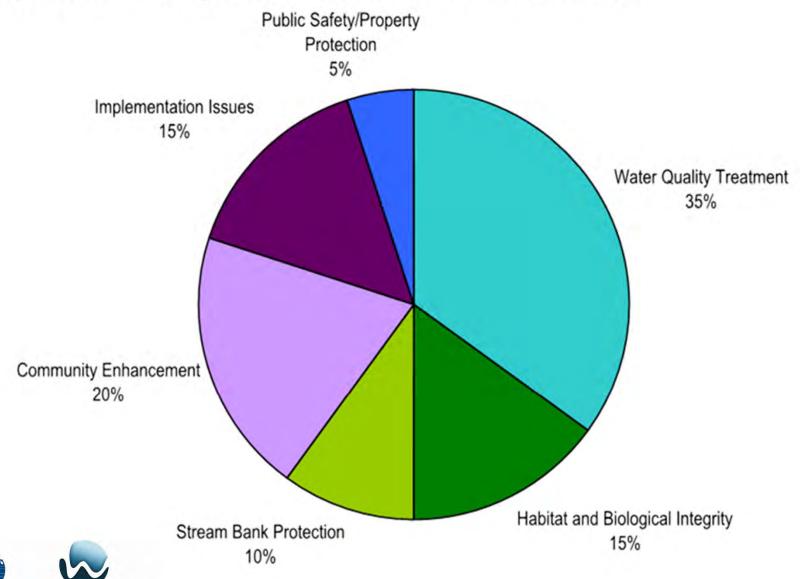
### **SCM Retrofits - Results**





## Example of Project Evaluation Criteria

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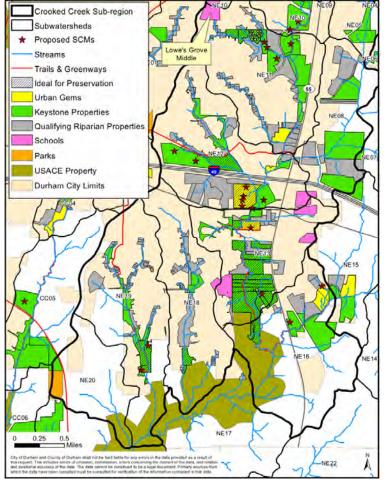
## Other Methods to Improve Water Quality

- Improvements to the sewer and septic systems
  - Fix leaky sewer pipes
  - Remove illicit discharges
  - Correct improper sewer connections
  - Improve sand filter/septic systems
- Upgrades to wastewater treatment systems
- Existing stormwater performance standards for new development and redevelopment
- City's Rain Garden Program

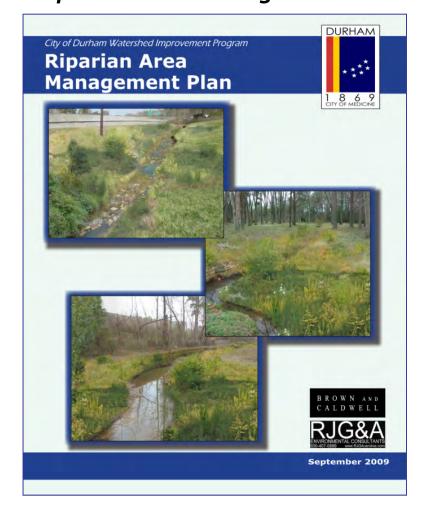


## Critical Areas and Riparian Buffers

#### Critical Area Protection Plan



#### Riparian Area Management Plan







## Adopt-a-Stream Program

- Durham's Adopt-a-Stream Program:
  - At least 1 stream clean-up per year for 2 years
  - Observations on how the stream looks and smells
  - Report potential water pollution violations (e.g., illegal dumping) to Durham's hotline at (919) 560-7946
- Currently only one reach in this watershed has been "adopted" – Birchwood Park
- Many more opportunities exist, please let us know if you are interested in joining this program.



#### What's next?

- Complete evaluation of potential water quality improvement projects – Dec. 2014
- Second Public Information Session Winter 2015
- Draft Watershed Improvement Plan Winter 2015
- Final Public Information Session Spring 2015
- Final Watershed Improvement Plan Spring 2015



## Thank You for Coming!

Please visit the activity stations & share your feedback with us - We want to know what is important to you!

